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SUBJ: BELGRADE CSCE -- NORDIC COUNTRIES' PROPOSAL FOR STRENGTH-
ENING THE ECE

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USDEL CSCE

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF A DRAFT PROPOSAL DANISH REP PRESENTED
TO NATO BASKET TWO CAUCUS ON NOV. 3, CONCERNING THE
STRENGTHENING OF THE ECE AS MAIN FORUM FOR MULTILATERAL
ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COOPERATION IN EUROPE:

BEGIN TEXT:

PROPOSAL PRESENTED BY THE DELEGATIONS OF DENMARK, FINLAND,
ICELAND, NORWAY AND SWEDEN REGARDING THE STRENGTHENING
OF THE ROLE OF THE ECE IN FUTURE CO-OPERATION IN THE
REGION

THE UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE
(ECE) HAS DURING THREE DECADES CARRIED OUT A USEFUL
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PRACTICAL WORK IN A WIDE RANGE OF ECONOMIC AND RELATED
FIELDS. ITS MOST PROMINENT FEATURE HAS BEEN THAT OF
BEING THE MAIN REGION-WIDE MULTILATERAL FORUM WITH THE
EMPHASIS ON CO-OPERATION BETWEEN STATES HAVING DIFFERENT
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS. IN PURSUING THIS CO-OPER-
ATION THE ECE HAS OVER THE YEARS ACCUMULATED A GREAT
FUND OF EXPERIENCE FOR THE BENEFIT OF ITS MEMBER STATES

AND THE REGION AS A WHOLE.

A NEW PHASE IN THE HISTORY OF THE ECE WAS STARTED WHEN THE CSCE COUNTRIES ENTRUSTED THE ORGANIZATION WITH MULTILATERAL IMPLEMENTATION OF RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF THE FINAL ACT. THANKS TO THE POLITICAL WILL MANIFESTED BY THE ECE MEMBER STATES AND TO THE EXPERIENCE OF ITS SECRETARIAT IT HAS BEEN POSSIBLE, WITHIN A SHORT TIME, TO LAY A FIRM BASIS FOR AND START THE IMPLEMENTATION EFFORTS.

THIS HAS BEEN MANIFESTED I.A. BY THE FACT THAT THE ECE IS WELL ADVANCED IN CARRYING OUT SPECIFIC TASKS ON THE BASIS OF THE FINAL ACT, SUCH AS THE WORK ON A MULTILATERAL SYSTEM OF NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING FOREIGN TRADE, THE WORK ON THE HARMONIZATION OF STATISTICAL NOMENCLATURES AS WELL AS THE MONITORING AND EVALUATION OF THE LONG RANGE TRANSPORT OF AIR POLLUTANTS.

OF EVEN GREATER LONG TERM IMPACT IS THE MODIFICATION AND MODERNIZATION OF THE ECE'S WORK PROGRAMMES WHICH HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT ON THE BASIS OF THE FINAL ACT.

IT IS NOTE-WORTHY THAT IN THE COURSE OF THIS MEETING DELEGATIONS HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR SATISFACTION WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF THE ECE IN ITS IMPLEMENTATION EFFORTS.

THE IMPETUS PROVIDED BY THE CSCE THROUGH THE FINAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ACT HAS FURTHER STRENGTHENED THE FORWARD-LOOKING AND ACTION-ORIENTED CHARACTER OF ECE'S ACTIVITIES. THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY IN HIS ADDRESS TO THE BELGRADE MEETING OUTLINED HIS VIEWS ON HOW THESE ASPECTS OF THE ECE ACTIVITIES COULD BE GIVEN CONCRETE EXPRESSION. HE MOREOVER POINTED OUT THAT "ECE CAN IN EVERY RESPECT BE CONSIDERED AS AN INSTRUMENT OF THE POLITICAL WILL, WHICH THE GOVERNMENTS HAVE EXPRESSED THROUGH THE CSCE."

BY SETTING IN MOTION THE PROCESS OF IMPLEMENTATION IN THE ECE THE PARTICIPATING STATES HAVE MANIFESTED THE REQUISITE POLITICAL WILL. IN SO DOING THEY HAVE CREATED THE NECESSARY CONDITIONS FOR THE ECE TO EXPLOIT THE VAST POSSIBILITIES FOR MULTILATERAL CO-OPERATION EMBODIED IN THE FINAL ACT.

IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE THE DELEGATIONS OF DENMARK, FINLAND, ICELAND, NORWAY AND SWEDEN CONSIDER THAT THE CONCLUDING DOCUMENT OF THE BELGRADE MEETING SHOULD REFLECT I.A. THE FOLLOWING CONSIDERATIONS:

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IN ORDER TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF THE VALUABLE
EXPERIENCE AND POTENTIAL OF THE ECE FOR THE FURTHER
DEVELOPMENT OF REGION WIDE CO-OPERATION IN ECONOMIC AND
RELATED FIELDS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO THEM, AS
WELL AS OF THE IMPETUS GIVEN TO THIS CO-OPERATION BY
THE FINAL ACT, THE PARTICIPATING STATES SHOULD REAFFIRM
THEIR RESOLVE TO PURSUE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RELE-
VANT PROVISIONS OF THE FINAL ACT, WHICH CALL FOR MULTI-
LATERAL IMPLEMENTATION WITHIN THE ECE. THEY SHOULD
ALSO DECLARE THEIR INTENTION TO TAKE FURTHER
STEPS TO INCREASE THEIR COOPERATION IN THE ECE AND TO
REINFORCE THE AUTHORITY OF THE ORGANIZATION.

A MORE PRECISE FORMULATION ON THIS QUESTION WILL,
IN DUE COURSE, BE PUT FORWARD FOR INCLUSION IN THE CON-
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